

# Interview Summary

Application No.

09/809,307

Applicant(s)

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview Oct 21, 2003Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conferencec) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes e) ☐ No. If yes, brief description:  
subflooring sample of the instant application and US #5,572,842 to STIEF et al.Claim(s) discussed: Calims 1,11 and 12

Identification of prior art discussed:

US Patent #5,572,842 to STIEF et al.Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Applicant's representative showed and described the difference between the instant application and the prior art reference to STIEF et al. The applicant's representative suggested adding the limitation that the panels "permit lateral movement". This limitation would clearly read over the cited art rejection. Upon Submittal of the proposed amendment, the remainder of the art of record will be considered accordingly.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

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Examiner's signature, if required